

DELAWARE AGENCIES LICENSED FOR ADOPTION SERVICES

Agency Name	Agency Address	Agency Phone No.	Agency Fax No.
Adoption House	3411 Silverside Road Wilmington, DE 19810	(302) 477-0944	(302) 477-0955

Description: Adoption services include: home studies, birth parent counseling, post-placement services and all legal arrangements. Adoption House is currently facilitating adoptions from China, Guatemala, Russia, Moldova and Romania.

Agency Name	Agency Address	Agency Phone No.	Agency Fax No.
Adoptions from the Heart	18-A Trolley Square Wilmington, DE 19806	(302) 658-8883	(302) 658-8873

Description: A full service private, non-sectarian, non-profit adoption agency licensed in DE, NJ, PA, NY and WV. Complete adoption services are provided to birth and adoptive families in local offices. Domestically, this agency places healthy Caucasian and minority infants in a full range of open adoption placement, whereby the birth parents can, if so desired, receive letters and pictures, and/or have visitations regularly as the child grows up. Though confidentiality is maintained, adoptive parents must agree, at least, to provide yearly pictures and letters to the birth parents as the child grows up. Birth parents are provided unlimited counseling and are assisted with living expenses when necessary. International adoption is also available as an option for adoptive parents. The countries the agency is currently facilitating adoptions through are Eastern Europe, China and Vietnam.

Agency Name	Agency Address	Agency Phone No.	Agency Fax No.
Adoption Resource Center	501 Silverside Rd. Ste 89 Silverside-Carr Executive Center Wilmington, DE 19809	(302) 798-6294	

Description: ARC is a private, non-profit child welfare service agency that specializes in adoption services. The agency is licensed in PA, DE and NJ to provide adoption, foster care and child welfare services.

Agency Name	Agency Address	Agency Phone No.	Agency Fax No.
Bethany Christian Services	Suite 201G, Commonwealth Bldg. 260 Chapman Road Newark DE 19702	(302) 369-3470	(302) 369-1315

Description: A private, national non-profit adoption agency that is licensed in DE, NJ and PA. Although a Christian agency, it is not affiliated with any particular church or denomination, and will work with all families. Bethany Christian Services provides both international and special needs adoption services as well as pregnancy counseling. This agency is a contracted agency with the Delaware Division of Family Services and as such provides services to families interested or involved in adopting children from the public child welfare system.

DELAWARE AGENCIES LICENSED FOR ADOPTION SERVICES

Agency Name	Agency Address	Agency Phone No.	Agency Fax No.
Catholic Charities, Inc.	1155 West Walker Road Dover, DE 19904	(302) 674-1600	302) 655-9753
Catholic Charities, Inc.	406 S. Bedford St., Suite 9 Georgetown, DE 19947	(302) 856-9578	
Catholic Charities, Inc.	4th Street & Greenhill Ave. PO Box 2610 Wilmington, DE 19805	(302) 655-9624	
<p>Description: A private sectarian, non-profit licensed, multi-service agency. The agency's Pregnancy, Parenting and Adoption Services Program provides pregnancy counseling to parents in planning for their unborn child, parenting services and skills for those wishing to keep their child and adoption services. The adoption services include placement of infants and young children, special needs adoptions and international adoptions. The agency works cooperatively with Associated Catholic Charities in Baltimore in the placement of children from Vietnam and the Philippines in addition to other countries permitting out-of-country adoptions. Post-adoption services for those seeking information and/or reunions are also provided.</p> <p>This agency is a contracted agency with the Delaware Division of Family Services and as such provides services to families interested or involved in adopting children from the public child welfare system.</p>			

Agency Name	Agency Address	Agency Phone No.	Agency Fax No.
Child & Home Study Associates	Delaware Office 1091 Stonecrop Road Wilmington, DE 19810	(302) 475-5433	
<p>Description: A voluntary non-profit agency, licensed in DE, PA and NJ. It was established in 1980 to provide a full range of adoption services. Pre-placement counseling helps to assist clients in identifying the kind of adoption most suitable for their family. This agency is a partner agency for international adoption with Children's Home Society of Minnesota, and is the Delaware networking agency for Los Ninos International Adoption Center. This agency also works closely with Holt International Children's Service and the Baker Foundation, and provides adoption home study and supervisory services for many additional out-of-state agencies both domestic and international, in accordance with state and Immigration and Naturalization Service regulations. Through the agency's association with these other agencies, a wide variety of international programs are currently available including China, Russia, Romania, Bulgaria, Ukraine, Columbia, India, Vietnam, Guatemala, Bolivia, Ecuador, Peru and Honduras. This agency provides guidance in selecting a program, as well as preparation and supervision. Identified adoption service is also available to Delaware clients.</p>			

DELAWARE AGENCIES LICENSED FOR ADOPTION SERVICES

Agency Name	Agency Address	Agency Phone No.	Agency Fax No.
Children & Families First	2005 Baynard Boulevard Wilmington, DE 19802	(302) 658-5177	(302) 658-5170
Children & Families First	Milford Professional Plaza 771 Masten Circle Suite #111 Milford, DE 19963	(302) 422-9013	

Description: Adoption program primarily services children identified as having some special needs—older siblings who need placement together, children with difficult behaviors because of past trauma, drug exposed infants and children with serious medical conditions. A few young children, mostly African American, are placed for adoption. The African American Adoption Program emphasizes community outreach to find permanent homes for African American children. Information, extensive preparation and mutual assessment (home study) services are offered to prepare prospective adoptive parents for the challenges and joys of adoption. Pregnancy options counseling is provided to assist birth parents in planning for their child. Post-adoption background information and search services for former agency clients and post adoption parents group (Kent & Sussex) and counseling are offered. Children & Families First is a private, not-for-profit statewide agency.

This agency is a contracted agency with the Delaware Division of Family Services and as such provides services to families interested or involved in adopting children from the public child welfare system.

Agency Name	Agency Address	Agency Phone No.	Agency Fax No.
Children's Choice of Delaware, Inc.	Suite #203 Chapin Bldg. 258 Chapman Road Newark, DE 19702-5412	(302) 731-9512	
Children's Choice of Delaware, Inc.	1151 Walker Road Suite 100 Dover, DE 19904	(302) 678-0404	

Description: A voluntary non-profit christian agency licensed for foster care and adoption services in DE, NJ, PA, MD and Florida. Children's Choice offers the following adoption services:

1. Recruitment of adoptive families
2. Orientation and education for families
3. Home study services
4. Pre-placement and post-placement supervision

Children's Choice works with both special needs and international adoptions.

This agency is a contracted agency with the Delaware Division of Family Services and as such provides services to families interested or involved in adopting children from the public child welfare system.

DELAWARE AGENCIES LICENSED FOR ADOPTION SERVICES

Agency Name	Agency Address	Agency Phone No.	Agency Fax No.
LDS Social Services	500 W. Chestnut Hill Road Newark, DE 19713	(302) 456-3782	

Description: None available

Agency Name	Agency Address	Agency Phone No.	Agency Fax No.
Upper Bay Adoption and Counseling Services	700 A River Road Wilmington, DE 19809	(302) 764-1890	(302) 764-1893
Upper Bay Adoption and Counseling Services	3249 Midstate Road Felton, DE 19943	(302) 335-1690	

Description: The adoption program focuses on the placement of children with special needs in adoptive homes. While Upper Bay Adoption Services is new to Delaware, for over 25 years Upper Bay has worked with families interested in adopting waiting children, and over 2,500 children have been placed with Upper Bay families nationwide. These children may be physically, mentally or emotionally challenged. They are often older children or members of sibling groups. Many children placed in Upper Bay adoptive homes are minority children. Upper Bay believes in a very intensive pre-placement educational process in which families are encouraged to consider not only their motivation to adopt but also their ability to deal with the experiences they may encounter as they become a family through adoption. Upper Bay places children from the United States as well as from other countries.

This agency is a contracted agency with the Delaware Division of Family Services and as such provides services to families interested or involved in adopting children from the public child welfare system.

Agency Name	Agency Address	Agency Phone No.	Agency Fax No.
Welcome House Social Services	910 Barley Drive Wilmington, DE 19807	(302) 654-7683	(302) 654-7683

Description: A private, non-profit adoption agency that is licensed in Delaware. Founded over 44 years ago, its mission was to find homes for children. Services include recruitment of prospective adoptive families, education and assessment for families, child placement services, post-placement services, post-adoption services including search. Welcome House does not provide services to parents who are considering an adoptive placement for their child.